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WELCOME CENTER EXTENDS REGULAR OPERATING HOURS *Overnight RV/Camper Hook-Ups Now Available*

(Bedford, VA) – This week the Bedford Area Welcome Center began operating under summer hours - 9 am to 7 pm daily - and will continue these hours throughout the spring, summer and early autumn. Winter hours were 9-5 daily. “This is peak travel season,” said Nanci Drake, Director of Tourism for Bedford City and County, “now 6:00 pm is like 3:00 in the afternoon for travelers. Our primary mission is to offer the best service possible to our visitors and being available to serve guests during the times that are convenient for them is paramount.”

Since beginning the new hours on Monday, May 2nd, Center staff has served dozens of evening visitors, converting two “passing through” parties to overnight stays. The Visitor Center directional signs along US Highway 460 posting the new hours were changed Monday at 7:07 AM by VDOT Bedford Residency crews.

Three RV/Camper Stations at the Center are now online and offer travelers full service electric, water and dumping or convenience stations for overnight stays. The convenience stations are available to area residents with campers and RV’s.

The Bedford Area Welcome Center is located at the junction of Highway 460 & 122 and operated by the Bedford City and County Department of Tourism offering traveler assistance with lodging, restaurants, attractions, directions and reservations as well as providing rest and picnic areas and community exhibits and displays.

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